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# Minden, Carnarvon churches to amalgamate

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

The Minden United Church and Carnarvon's Zion United Church will join forces in 2018, forming a new, amalgamated church.

"Over the last couple of years, the three churches, they've been talking about amalgamation," said Rev. Max Ward, who oversees the charge including the Minden and Carnarvon United churches, as well as Maple Lake United Church.

A vote on the matter was held in October of 2016.

"We had a vote and the three churches voted individually whether or not they wanted to participate," Ward explained.

While the congregations in Minden and Carnarvon voted in favour of amalgamation, congregants at Maple Lake United voted for it to remain a freestanding church.

Of the three churches, Zion has the largest congregation, up to 45 people on an average Sunday. This number goes up in the summertime and can shrink during the winter months.

Minden United Church has an average congregation of 40 or so people, and Maple Lake United, eight to 12. Each church sees numbers go up in the summertime.

"Minden and Zion have continued working toward amalgamation," Ward said, explaining that more joint services between the two churches have been held in recent months.

Beginning in 2018, the plan is for a month's worth of services to take place at Zion United Church. Services will take place at 9:30 a.m.,

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## Minden has Pride

Minden Hills Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin, Minden Pride committee co-chairpersons Paul Roy and Sinclair Russell, MP Jamie Schmale and MPP Laurie Scott stand in front of a crowd of supporters, holding up the rainbow flag before it is raised at the Minden Hills municipal office on Monday, Aug. 21. The flag raising kicked off a week of Minden Pride events, which will conclude with the Pride Picnic from 1 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27 at the Wild Swan, at 65 Invergordon Ave. in Minden. Read more on page 3./DARREN LUM Staff

## Making waves on flood mitigation

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

Representatives of Minden Hills and Haliburton County met with provincial and federal officials during last week's Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference, looking for help with flood mitigation in the community.

Among those they met with were Ontario Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry Kathryn McGarry, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs Bill Mauro and a staff member of federal Minister of Environment

and Climate Change Catherine McKenna.

With them, local politicians took a submission from Haliburton County and the Upper Trent Watershed Management Partnership, or UTWMP.

UTWMP includes Haliburton County's four lower-tier municipalities, as well as the Municipality of Trent Lakes, the Township of North Kawartha, and the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow and, as the submission reads, "its primary purpose is to be a single voice for the Reservoir and Flow-Through (RaFT) lakes in the Haliburton sector of the Trent watershed on issues of water manage-

ment. The goal of the partnership is to advance integrated water management across the entire Trent River watershed for the protection of aquatic resources, the environment, property values, and local economies."

The document poses a number of requests of the MNRF and/or MOECC.

The first is support from the MNRF for Haliburton County's application for funding through the federal government's National Disaster Mitigation Program.

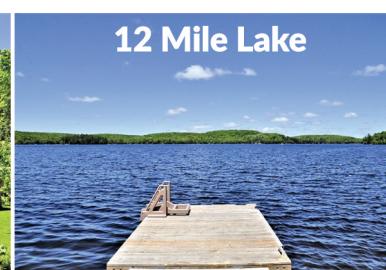
That application is for 50 per cent funding for digital terrain model mapping of the Gull

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## Sidewalk sale a big deal

Shoppers peruse items during the annual Minden sidewalk sale on Aug. 16. The event, where merchants take to the sidewalks along the downtown section of Bobcaygeon Road, is part of Make It Minden programming.

/CHAD INGRAM Staff

## Local contingent well received: Devolin

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and Burnt river watersheds the county can use for flood risk assessment, flood mapping and flood mitigation planning.

"It has to flow through the province first, to have their seal of approval, to come to the feds," said Minden Hills Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin.

"We are seeking MNRF support for hydrology and hydraulic studies from the Orillia Power Dam to the Gull Lake outlet for the purpose of establishing risk based flood plain mapping," the submission reads. "This will permit the evaluation of mitigating measures and protection of critical infrastructure."

The document also seeks support from the MNRF and MOECC for LIDAR mapping of the reservoir system. LIDAR mapping uses a laser-based system to produce very detailed topographical images.

"We are seeking MOECC as well as MNRF support for climate change studies and planning, as well as the development of new strategies for the management of the reservoir system to accommodate changing weather patterns," the submission reads. "This proposed initiative has tentative support from TSW [Trent Severn Waterway] but for which TSW cannot be the lead agency."

A fifth request in the proposal is for support from the MNRF and MOECC for long term capacity and infrastructure plans for the reservoir system.

"We are seeking MNRF and MOECC support for the UTWMP and its initiatives," the submission concludes. "We respectfully request the active engagement of both MNRF and MOECC with Parks Canada and other stakeholders across the entire Trent River watershed for integrated and balanced water management planning in the face of our changing climate. We respectfully request that an appropriate ministry staff be assigned to the file. Our aquatic resources, infrastructure, property values and economies rely on it."

Devolin said the reception at the conference in Ottawa last week left him feeling optimistic.

"It appears that was well-received," he said. "We had comment on the content of the information that's in it, that we are ahead of pretty well everybody else in the province dealing with this, and we hate to say we're becoming experts about this, but we have a little more history."

Minden Hills declared states of emergency in 2013 and 2017 due to severe flooding of the Gull River, and there was near flooding in 2016. Lakes throughout the county's reservoir system were also affected during these periods of flooding, some hitting record highs this spring.

"To both levels of government, we tried to make it quite clear that there needs to be a process and ... potentially, a permanent process for [flood mitigation] infrastructure, operations and all that kind of thing."

Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, who worked on the proposal, also seemed pleased with the reception at the AMO conference.

"We know it's a big, sticky, long-term plan," Moffatt said, adding that the members of the CEWF have the knowledge, experience and time to dedicate to the complicated issue. "We feel confident that we've done the research. We know the water's not going to stop coming."

Moffatt noted that the Green Infrastructure Fund could potentially be another source of funding for flood-related municipal projects.

"I think we're moving the place markers in the right direction," Devolin said.

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# Minden shows its pride, flying rainbow flag

by DARREN LUM  
Times Staff

With an acknowledgement of the past, Minden is moving forward to a society of inclusiveness marked by a swelling of support at the township's rainbow flag raising ceremony on Monday, Aug. 21.

Guest speakers were moved close to tears, as they delivered speeches at the first of a series of events for Minden Pride Week, organized by the Minden Pride committee.

Minden Hills Councillor and Minden Pride committee member Pam Sayne spoke haltingly, choking back tears referencing the *Minden Times* article "Growing up gay in Haliburton County" about Minden Pride's co-chairperson Sinclair Russell, 73, who talked about his experience growing up in the area during the 1950s. He is son to Sinclair Russell and Mable (nee Prentice).

"The recent coverage in the local papers is heartfelt," she said. "As I read the interview with Sinclair Russell, I unexpectedly found myself overwhelmed with emotion. I was choked up, tears running down my face to my own surprise. I couldn't continue reading. I was just so choked up. I had to swallow my emotions to get through this article. Why was I choked up? I was choked up, I realized, because homophobia, racism and other socially constructed fear-mongering are not incidents that just happen on some days. They're not just headlines in the local paper. They're not just words randomly uttered in places. They define ways of life. They define an oppression that is constant. Usually unrecognized, insidious to our humanity."

She presented the co-chairs Russell and Paul Roy with flowers, recognizing their efforts to lead the committee in organizing the week's pride events.

In contrast to last year's flag raising when barely a dozen people came (in part because of the sudden announcement), this year's drew more than 50 people of all ages to the township office. They showed their support for inclusiveness, signed a rainbow flag with a maple leaf in the centre, and watched the rainbow flag raised, kicking off the week of Minden Pride events. The week concludes with the Pride Picnic on Sunday, Aug. 27. The flag will fly for the week.

Russell spoke with pauses, appearing to fight back tears, about his appreciation for the ceremony and said the rainbow flag has a relevance to everyone.

"We're not just talking about gay pride. We're talking about pride in general and being inclusive to everybody," he said.

Russell also touched on the flag's creator, Gilbert Baker, an American inspired by Harvey Milk, who advocated for



The rainbow flag flies at the Minden Hills township office following a ceremony on Monday, Aug. 21. It kicked off a week of Minden Pride events, which concluded with the Pride Picnic on Sunday, Aug. 27 at the Wild Swan, located at 65 Invergordon Ave. in Minden./DARREN LUM Staff

human and civil rights in San Francisco. Milk became the first openly gay person to hold a high public office in a major American city. He was assassinated at City Hall in 1978, but his death became a rallying cry for the gay community.

According to the CBC, the flag's six bands of colour are representative of traits: red represents life, orange is healing, yellow is sunlight, green is nature, blue is serenity and violet is spirit.

MP Jamie Schmale spoke after Russell, reminding the audience about what we all share rather than what makes us different.

"Spread the word no matter who you love, who you worship, what colour your skin is, we all share this planet. We're all here together so let's come together ... we are one so thank you for continuing to be here and promoting this. I hope to see this grow each and every year and get it bigger and more inclusive. Just bring the community together," he said.

MPP Laurie Scott concurred with Schmale's comments

about inclusivity and recognized the town's efforts.

"It doesn't matter about anything – religion, race or colour. It doesn't matter. We're all inclusive. That's what makes a good society, good communities, good province and good country. A good example for the rest of the world. You here in Minden today are doing that," she said.

Brent Devolin also referenced the *Times'* article, characterizing it as, "touching."

Devolin, who grew up here, addressed Russell's implied discretion.

"You're very kind. I'm sure growing up there are some things you might have said, but you didn't," he said. "We're here about where we are today and where we can go. We're about an inclusive community here ... I come from a faith history. You love and care for your neighbour. You love and care for all your neighbours. That's why we're here today. So, I'm very proud to be part of the second annual raising at Minden Hills."

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# Churches joining across continent

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rather than 9 a.m. on Sundays.

Then, a month's worth of services will take place in Minden in February. The plan is for this alternation to continue for at least six months, as the new, amalgamated congregation decides which of the buildings will become home to the amalgamated church.

"Really, they're both in adequate condition," Ward said. However, he added that both did require some work – elevators, for instance, which aren't cheap.

At this point, he said the churches are doing OK financially.

"Often, there are deficits, and they're made up at the end of the year," Ward said. "All three churches don't have any debt."

However, there is long-term financial concern.

"Our congregants are mainly elderly people," Ward said.

Services at Maple Lake United Church, which recently sent a letter to its members regarding financial concerns, will begin at 11 a.m. starting in the new year.

The name for new amalgamated church is to be Highland Hills United

Church.

Lois Deacon is the chairwoman of the integration committee and told the paper that similar processes have been and are happening with churches throughout the continent.

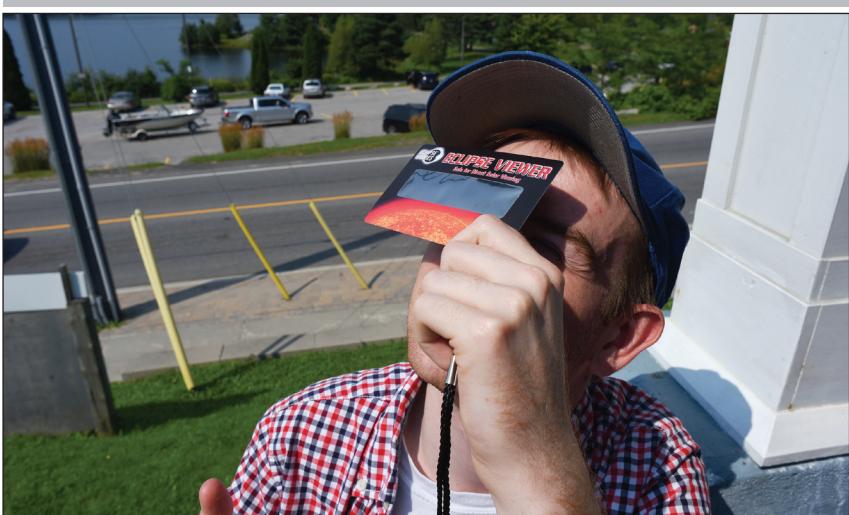
"This kind of thing is happening all over North America, particularly in smaller communities, where churches have seen a change in attendance," Deacon said.

Not only are congregants aging, but Deacon said they are asked to volunteer their time and energy in various places, which also adds strain.

"It's a matter of survival," she said of the coming amalgamation. "People want to be able to look forward with hope and joy and excitement about what a future congregation could be."

In a time where many of the traditional roles of churches have been taken on by social services, Deacon said the amalgamation is also a time for the congregation to focus on what the church's place within the larger community should be.

"The whole intent is, what else can the church be doing for the community?" she said. "What's the role of the church?"



**Looking on the sunny side**

Minden Times and Haliburton Echo reporter Robert Mackenzie sees the solar eclipse from the Echo's office building with a borrowed eclipse viewer, courtesy of Haliburton County Public Library's Erin Kernoahan-Berning on Monday, Aug. 21. Without the viewers, it was not clear there was anything happening other than a brief moment of less light. There were parts of 14 U.S. states that experienced total darkness. Missed your chance? The next total solar eclipse will be on April 8, 2024.

/DARREN LUM Staff



## On-air for health care

Moose FM announcer Rick Lowes, left, meets with a fan of the radio station during the 11th annual Haliburton Highlands Health Radiothon in the radio station's studio on Thursday, Aug. 17 in Haliburton. Sponsored by Minden Subaru, the fundraising event included close to 20 volunteers and included on-air guests and food tasting. It was held from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. from Aug. 17 to 18. /DARREN LUM Staff

## Provincial leaders reject infrastructure solution

by CHAD INGRAM  
Times Staff

During last week's Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) conference, the leaders of Ontario's main political parties rejected the idea of raising the HST by one per cent to assist with municipal infrastructure funding.

There is an estimated infrastructure gap – a shortfall of money needed to repair infrastructure that has come to the end of its lifespan – of approximately \$5 billion a year in Ontario.

"We were asked a year ago by the Premier to come up with some creative solutions for the infrastructure gap, which is just under \$5 billion, so this doesn't make its way all onto land-based taxes," said Minden Hills Reeve and Haliburton County Warden Brent Devolin.

As a result, AMO was advocating a jump in HST from 13 to 14 per cent, that extra percentage point – the equivalent of about \$2.5 billion a year – to be earmarked specifically for municipal infrastructure.

"A resounding 'no' from the government," Devolin said. "The Premier said she had only become aware of it in recent days. Hmm . . ."

"It isn't new," said Algonquin Highlands Mayor Carol Moffatt, who was also at last week's conference. "The AMO has been working on this proposal for well over a year."

Of Premier Kathleen Wynne's assertion that

she'd only learned of the proposal in the days leading up to the conference, "I find that surprising," Moffatt said.

Not only was the concept rejected by Wynne, but NDP leader Andrea Horwath and Progressive Conservative leader Patrick Brown also denounced the idea.

"It was disappointing to hear all three leaders say they didn't support it," Moffatt said.

She added that outside of property taxes, municipalities have few revenue-generating tools to rely upon.

"People will continue to see property tax increases," she said. "We don't really have any other options."

Devolin said another suggestion from the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus was that a higher percentage of provincial gas tax money be levied toward municipal infrastructure projects.

That, too, was shot down.

"Certainly, the rejection of the gas tax and the one per cent, and some of the other initiatives we had, basically, the underlying message to us, both as the general conference and the wardens' caucus, the policies and the philosophies they have, they are sticking to and they're not varying from that," Devolin said. "They're just on the path they're on."

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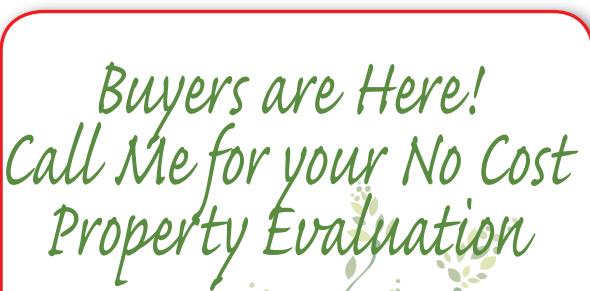
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## Shot down

**D**URING LAST week's Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference in Ottawa, the provincial government was quick to dismiss the suggestion that harmonized sales tax in Ontario be increased by one per cent, that extra money earmarked for municipal infrastructure.

Municipalities are in trouble when it comes to building and maintaining infrastructure. Big trouble.

The majority of public infrastructure in the province is municipally owned, and much of it is nearing the end of its lifespan.

Roads, bridges and culverts are expensive to build and maintain and in most municipalities, particularly small ones with large roads networks, public works budgets are by far the largest single expense.

What is referred to as the infrastructure gap – the collective shortfall of cash required to maintain aging municipal infrastructure in the province – is an estimated \$5 billion annually.

That additional one per cent in HST would have equated to approximately \$2.5 billion a year and could have greatly helped to ease this burden.

Not only did the Premier quickly rebuke the concept, but the leaders of the other two main parties shot it down as well.

This, unfortunately, makes sense. What provincial party leader wants to head into an election year promising a one per cent increase in HST?

However, Ontarians will pay regardless. If not through increased taxation on certain goods and

services, then it will be through continued increases in their property taxes.

Property taxes are municipalities' only real way of generating revenue. Yes, there are lesser forms – fees, fines, etc. – but property taxes are the main vehicle. They generate the majority of municipal money.

Municipalities continue to try to find new ways of generating revenue, and continue to get denied by the province.

Along with the one per cent HST increase, an increased portion of provincial gas tax being assigned for municipal infrastructure was also suggested.

Also shot down.

Early this year, the City of Toronto tried to increase its revenues by instituting a \$2 toll on the Don Valley Parkway and Gardiner Expressway.

That proposal was also

nixed by the provincial government, for clearly political reasons, after the Premier had expressly said she wouldn't block such a plan.

It's no wonder that so many municipalities are eyeing casinos as a way to help offset their expenses.

So maybe that's what Haliburton County should do. Just build a big casino along County Road 21. The province seems to smile upon indebted municipalities when it comes to grant money, and what better way to go into debt than a big, garish casino?

It can have trout-shaped slot machines and the staff will wear red and black flannel. It'll be called the Cash-In-Win-a-Mog.

Who could shoot down an idea like that?

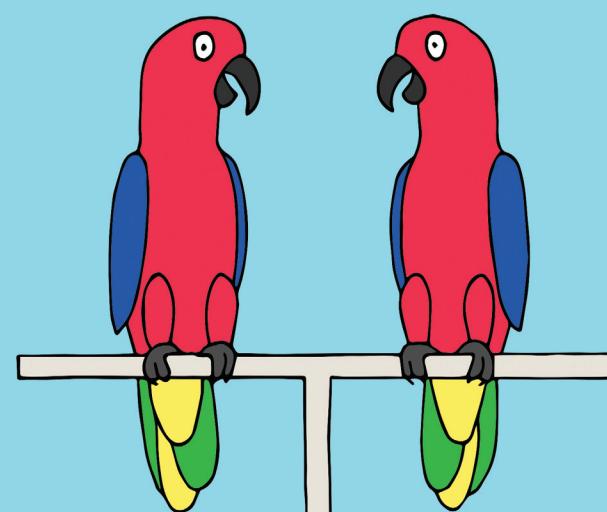


**CHAD INGRAM**  
Reporter

## Kwarky

I'm original.

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Kim Wark

## When trail ends

**I**F THERE IS ever a time when you need to have faith in your fellow man it is when he has led you for a half hour through a jungle-like muskeg bog thick with black flies and bear scat to a brook trout stream that he used to fish.

Oh sure, you'll breathe a little easier at the sight of that ribbon of water – no matter how unremarkable it looks – but all that goes out the window when your friend scratches his head and says, "I think this is the place."

To which you respond, "When is the last time you were here?"

And he looks to you and replies, "You know, I can't remember. But it sure looked a lot different back then."

I found myself in such a predicament last week. And, of course, whenever you find yourself in such a predicament, it starts to pour rain. That, by the way, is the difference between a predicament and a situation.

"Well," my friend said, "I guess we might as well try to fish."

And then 10 or so drifts later as the water was rising, he said, "This rain isn't letting up and there's no sign of fish so maybe we should go."

It seemed like a good idea.

The way back to the car, I thought, was going to be interesting too, since to get here he drove us down an old game trail that finally got too narrow for game.

Essentially, on the way back, we were hoping to rediscover the tip of that trail and an SUV that was wedged firmly between two saplings.

I, of course, was no help since I assumed the creek would be a reasonable 40 or 50 yards away, rather than a 30-minute hike

into a distant country. As a result, I did not bother to pay attention to directions or landmarks, except I did take note of one high spruce tree, which would have been great had it not so closely resembled a few hundred or so in the immediate area.

My guide led us on a meandering course back towards where presumably a vehicle – any vehicle – might be. And, for my part, I remained calm and assured myself that, at least he has a good memory.

And that is when he said, "The bugs sure are bad, huh, Mike?"

Then he stopped and said, "Wait here while I go look that way."

Luckily, I spotted the vehicle in a direction that could not loosely be described as "that way." So I called him back.

Then, it was simply a matter of squeezing into the car, backing up until there was a space where the saplings were flexible enough to be run over, so that we could turn around

towards the gravel road.

I know what you are thinking, but I swear I didn't tell you this story merely to brag.

Although, I think we can all agree, as bushwhacking trips for brook trout go, this was a complete success.

It had all the hallmarks of a great trip. First, we made it back to the car. Second, we found a creek where brook trout might once have swam. Third, we wet a line. Fourth, the mosquitoes left enough blood for vital organs to function. Fifth, no part or either of us was consumed by bears.

My guide summed it up nicely when he said, "I bet we'll remember this trip for a long time. Right, Fred?"

I couldn't help but nod.



**STEVE GALEA**  
Beyond 35

## IN OTHER WORDS

*Columns and Letters to the Editor*

# Gone glamping

**M**Y FIRST THOUGHT was that it was a ludicrous notion. Then I said to myself: "Get cool. Explore a new trend." And that's how I got to go glamping.

Glamping is a growing new trend. The word, a combination of glamorous and camping, did not exist officially before 2006.

Traditional camping to most of us is pitching a tent or building a lean-to in the woods, preferably by a lake. You light a campfire, heat a can of pork and beans over it, wash your dishes in the lake and roll out a sleeping bag for the night.

Glamping is the same idea, except someone does the work for you. The glamour comes with meals that go beyond pork and beans, and luxury tents, sleeping cots and pillows instead of your rolled up blue jeans.

You pay for the luxury of course. And that is why I thought glamping was a silly idea. Why pay for an outdoor experience that you can create yourself at little or no cost?

My glamping trip gave me some insights. First, there are people who have never experienced outdoor camping. Glamping gives them the enjoyable experience without the travails that come with being inexperienced.

There also is the issue of time. Some folks want to experience Algonquin Park, but have limited time. It takes huge amounts of time to get and organize a canoe and accessories, tent, cooking and sleeping gear and food. On a glamping trip you simply arrive carrying your toothbrush.

The worldwide trend toward glamping has been attributed partially to the financial recession of the past decade. Vacation budgets have shrunk.

Also, terrorism has caused many vacationers to avoid urban vacations. Plus, growing concerns about climate change have created more interest in the outdoors and the desire to understand it better.

There are no reliable statistics on the growth of glamping. However, Google Trends reports searches for the term glamping have increased from almost

nothing to millions.

The trend began in the United Kingdom where it remains extremely popular. North America and Australia are the two areas where glamping is really catching on.

Styles of glamping vary widely, from the basic Algonquin Park canoe and tent experience to stays in tree houses, teepees, gypsy wagons and log cabins offering luxury service and gourmet dining. One glamping site in Enniscrone, Ireland offers accommodation in a retired Boeing 767 or converted railway cars.

My glamping was with Algonquin Adventure Tours. The two-day trip began at Canoe Lake with a six-hour paddle around the lake. We visited some ruins of the former town of Mowat, watched painted turtles soaking up sun and paddled Whiskey Jack Bay in hopes of seeing a feeding moose.

In late afternoon we went to the campsite at Mew Lake Provincial Park where spacious tents had rug on the ground and comfortable cots. Our guide cooked a dinner of spaghetti with beef stew and cabbage salad served in a dining tent with plastic plates and utensils. The next morning he did blueberry pancakes with maple syrup and coffee.

After breakfast there was a three-hour bike ride along the old rail bed and it included a bit of nature study.

The cost was \$300 per person. Included in that is the park entry and campsite fees.

The best part of the trip was the glampers themselves. They were intelligent and interesting folks who took to the experience with a positive attitude. One family from Portugal – mom, dad and eight-year-old boy – had never been in a canoe before.

There was an evening campfire of course at which we shared some of our thoughts and experiences.

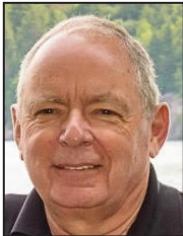
All said, my glamping experience was good. It was not outrageously expensive for anyone who didn't have time to field a traditional camping trip, or anyone with no camping experience.

The experience could have been tweaked to add more glamour with upgraded meals and better thought out canoe and bike outings with more context and history of the area. Little things that would send the glampers away saying "Wow that was great" instead of "Yeah, that was OK."

Toasted marshmallows and S'mores were a campfire hit. Nice, but my preferred campfire treat is an Irish whiskey and a Cuban cigar.

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*From Shaman's Rock*

## If you hate it you won't do it

**A**T ONE POINT in my life I considered myself a runner. I truly believed that if I didn't go for a run I wasn't exercising. Even an hour on the squash court didn't count as exercise in my mind. The incredibly funny and shortsighted part of that thought process is that squash can burn up to 600 calories per hour for a person my size. That's twisted thinking for sure on my part.

Today I consider myself an active person. I do run a bit, but it's really more of run/jog/walk. And it counts. Cycling is the activity where I find myself most at home. I get on a bike and I can go for a couple of hours depending on the number of uphills I have to contend with. Sometimes, when I find my rhythm I feel like I could ride the entire Tour de France (I'm some kind of superhero in my own mind). But even with cycling I have a comfort zone. Beyond that distance I start to hate it because it hurts in ways that it should not.

That's the thing about fitness. It doesn't matter what we're doing as long as we are moving. Gardening can be fitness activity. It will strengthen muscles, and improve balance and range of motion. It will not improve cardiovascular fitness like walking at a fast pace or uphill will. We need all forms of fitness to be part of our daily lives. If we

force ourselves to do an activity it will not have the same benefits as something that we're champing at the bit to do!

Today I went for a bike ride with a friend. Initially we were going to head out for a fast ride because we're signed up for an event next weekend that we want to be ready for. Our plan changed. Neither one of us was feeling like working that hard so we adjusted to suit our mindset. We did ride the distance we intended to ride but we took it at a slower pace, and enjoyed sightseeing and chatting along the way. The event we are registered for is not a race. We are doing it for fun, and today's "training" ride was awesome – because we had fun.

Let fitness be fun for you. Find something you love. Anything and everything counts as long as it involves movement. Walk, jog, cycle, paddle, swim, dance, play with your kids, walk the dog, chase the dog. It all counts. Let fitness activities do as much for your soul as it does for your body and it will leave you wanting more.

Something to think about.

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**MP samples farmers' market**

Jamie Schmale stopped in at the Minden Farmers' Market over the weekend and checked in with Shannon Blanchard of Graham's Farm Market. According to his staff, he came out to listen to local concerns, support farmers and even dance. Photo by Faye Adamson



**Jamie Schmale with Minden Market's youngest farmer: Xavier Dulong**

# New owners for Minden's Home Hardware

by SUE TIFFIN  
Times Staff

Dan and Emily Moulton have been busy over the past few years.

In 2012, just 24 years old, they purchased their first Home Hardware Building Centre in Hanover. In 2015, they purchased the Alliston Home Hardware Building Centre. And this year alone, they took on the Bowmanville Home Building Centre in May, and will be the new owners of Minden's Home Hardware store as of Sept. 1.

Add to that a growing family – the couple have two young kids and a third on the way – and it's clear the Moultons have a lot going on.

But they've been managing their stores so well, they're also adding awards to their list of accomplishments. In 2016, Dan was named a Young Retailer of the Year, the only Canadian chosen from a group of retailers 35 years of age and younger across Canada and the United States by the North American Retail Hardware Association. This year, the couple were honoured with the prestigious Walter J. Hachborn 2016 Store of the Year

award, named for the co-founder of Home Hardware, for their Hanover store. The award honours value, service and dependability, which are traits Dan speaks naturally about when he talks about how their stores have worked hard to ensure customers are satisfied and looked after.

"[Home Hardware] is an unbelievable company to be a part of," he said. "We're honoured to be a part of it. It's just a Canadian success story, being 100 per cent Canadian owned with local dealers. It's been a fun ride and we've really enjoyed it."

Dan said he and Emily are excited to be part of the Minden community after they purchased the Home Hardware on Bobcaygeon Road from Jodi Patterson and David Staley, who have owned the store for more than a decade.

"There's an excellent team in place today at the [Minden Home Hardware], and I feel like the store has a lot of opportunity," he said. "We've chosen our stores based on location and the strength of the store, and the strength of the community. We think it will be an awesome place to do business for a long time, so we're very excited."

Dan appreciates what Patterson and Staley

have done at the store in their time managing it, and numerous times called out the quality of the staff in place, who he recently came to meet.

"It's a great store with a great group of people," he said. "The way we run our stores, you only have a great store if you have great people. I think the previous owners did a great job, and we're looking to build on what they've already done there."

Dan said there will be plans to expand the product offering at the store, ensure it's a one-stop shop, and that customers are cared for in their house renovations and project needs. He said he was excited for the opportunity to fully service contractors with a strong lumber yard, and also to expand their offering in home decor and giftware lines with the help of Emily's buying prowess.

"What [having multiple stores] does is gives our business some synergies," he said. "We can run a bit better. We can really utilize people's skills in a different way than when you only have one store, because if someone has a very specific skill-set, it's useful in more than just one place, and it gives us greater buying power, which will in turn enable us to give better pricing and be more

competitive."

Dan said the multiple locations ensure that if one store is out of product, another store likely has it.

"We have transfer trucks travelling back and forth, to make sure our customers have what they need when they need it," he said. "That certainly allows us to deliver that next level of customer service."

The Moulton-run stores are well-known for a strong social conscience and their generosity in giving back to the communities they're located in. In the past, they've supported organizations that assist kids, seniors, local community groups, health causes, hospice and hospitals. Dan noted their two children were born in the Hanover and Alliston hospitals and joked that baby No. 3 might make an appearance at the Minden hospital.

"We'll see if the next one is born up Minden way," he laughed.

For now, Dan and Emily are excited to grow their Home Hardware family further.

"We're very fortunate, and very blessed that this opportunity has come across our path," he said.



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# West Nile case confirmed

by ROBERT MACKENZIE  
Times Staff

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge Health Unit is warning residents to take precautions against mosquitoes after a local person was infected with West Nile virus for the first time in the region since 2012.

On July 6, the health unit detected West Nile virus among mosquitoes trapped in Haliburton County. Mosquitoes have also tested positive for the virus in Peterborough, Durham Region and Hastings County this summer. The local who was infected with the virus was not hospitalized and is now recovering.

In a press release, Marianne Rock, the health unit's manager of communicable disease control, epidemiology and evaluation, said it's safe to assume that the virus is present throughout the province. "Don't be complacent, because wherever you live, it's important to reduce your risk of mosquitoes

that can spread illness," Rock said.

In order to reduce the risk of West Nile, the health unit is asking residents to cover up when outside – especially between dusk and dawn – by wearing long sleeves and applying bug spray. The health unit is also reminding residents to clean up and eliminate breeding areas by removing standing water in places like old containers and bird baths, keeping bushes and shrubs clear of overgrowth and debris, and regularly turning over compost piles.

So far this year there have been eight reported human cases of West Nile virus in Ontario. The virus is mainly spread through the bite of an infected mosquito. In a small number of cases, individuals who contract the infection may develop flu-like symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, muscle weakness and stiff neck between two and 14 days after being bitten. In a few cases more serious symptoms may develop. The health unit advises people who suspect they have West Nile virus to seek medical attention.

## OPP responded to 136 calls for service last week

During the week of Aug. 14 to 21, the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment reports it received 136 calls for service.

The investigations include nine alarms, three animal complaints, four domestic disputes, two harassment complaints, one neighbour dispute, two threats, six noise complaints, one trespassing, 13 non-emergency 911 calls, 17 police assistance or information calls, four thefts or mischief, nine traffic complaints, two traffic hazards and other calls. One criminal charge was laid as the result of one domestic investigation.

There were 14 vehicle collisions. Five

involved striking a deer and one involved striking a bear. Officers conducted 10 RIDE programs.

### Man charged following crash

Police charged a 20-year-old man from Haldimand County with several offences after responding to a single vehicle collision on Aug. 16.

The collision occurred at 1:19 a.m. on Highway 35 in Algonquin Highlands and was attended by OPP and Haliburton County Paramedic Services and Algonquin Highlands Fire Department. Upon arrival,

## Learn how to reduce your hydro bill with heat bank

by ROBERT MACKENZIE  
Times Staff

The Save on Hydro workshop coming to the county Sept. 8 plans to give some residents \$30 in order to teach them ways to lower their energy consumption and hydro costs.

The workshop, which will be delivered by Heat Bank Haliburton County in partnership with Haliburton Solar and Wind, is free for anyone who wants to learn more about Ontario's hydro system.

Due to a sponsorship from Haliburton Solar and Wind, up to 15 residents in the county can receive a \$30 participation grant for attending the workshop, meant to offset

the cost of attending.

Participants are eligible for the grant if they are either low income (LICO-AT plus 15 per cent) or struggling with hydro costs, along with a referral from an agency or government program deeming that the household would benefit from the workshop and require the \$30 in order to participate.

The workshop will run from 1 to 3 p.m. Sept. 8 at 1067 Garden Gate. Pre-registration is required in order to be eligible for the \$30 grant and can be done by phone at 705-306-0565 or online at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/save-money-on-your-hydro-tickets-36962085593>.

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police found a blue car in the east ditch and after speaking with the driver they determined he was under the influence of a drug.

The man was charged with driving while impaired by drugs, assaulting a peace officer and assault.

He is scheduled to appear in the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Sept. 6. His licence was suspended for 90 days and his car impounded for seven days.

### Traffic complaint leads to charges

A 26-year-old Minden Hills woman was charged with several offences following a

traffic complaint on Aug. 19.

Police say they were called to Bobcaygeon Road in Minden Hills at about 7 p.m. on Saturday and found the female driver had been consuming alcohol.

She was charged with driving while impaired, refusing to provide a breath sample and being intoxicated in a public place.

She is scheduled to appear at the Ontario Court of Justice in Minden on Oct. 4. Her licence was suspended for 90 days and her car impounded for seven days.

## Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Registration for the School Year 2017-18



**Tuesday, Aug. 29, 2017 - Last Names A-F**  
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - *closed 4:30-5:30*  
**Wednesday, Aug 30, 2017 - Last Names G-N**  
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - *closed 4:30-5:30*  
**Thursday, Aug 31, 2017 - Last Names O-Z**  
2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. - *closed 4:30-5:30*

**Note:** Outstanding textbooks and library books/fines must be paid prior to registration.  
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- Student Activity Council Events  
- Spirit Days  
- Motivational Speaker (etc.)

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Parent Nomination Forms may be picked up during Registration Week.

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Once you are signed up you can register your Grade 10-12 Students online during the registration period and miss long line ups!!



The Haliburton Highlands Rug Hookers have donated this piece to the Minden Legion. A draw for the rug will take place in December. Tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10.

/Submitted

## Rug to be raffled off in Legion draw



### LEGION BR. 636

#### Upcoming Events

Friday, Aug. 25, Karaoke with Fred and Linda 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26 Highlands Trio Benefit performance for the Food Bank, 1 to 4 p.m. Food available, donations at door. Unfortunately, due to time conflicts, this Saturday's meat draw has been cancelled. The Haliburton Highlands Rug Hookers donated a beautiful hand hooked rug to our branch. Please see picture, and come and see it on display at the branch. The draw will be held in December, but get your tickets early. They are \$5 each or three for \$10. We also have our monthly restaurant draw. This month's restaurant is the Heather Lodge, tickets are three for \$5. Draw to take place Aug. 31.

Did you know? Canada had a top secret spy school called Camp X. It was located on a wooded 110-hectare site on the

north western shores of Lake Ontario near Whitby. The camp was run by Britain's Strategic Operations Executive (SOE). One of its roles was to train Americans in intelligence gathering, but could not do so on American soil, because the United States had not yet entered the war. It opened on Dec. 6, 1941. The location was chosen with a great deal of thought, it was a remote site on the shores of Lake Ontario, yet only 30 miles straight across the lake from the United States. It was ideal for bouncing radio signals for Europe, South America, and of course between London and the BSC Headquarters in New York. The choice of the site also placed the camp only five miles from Defence Industries Limited currently the town of Ajax. For further information contact The Legion Magazine [www.legionmagazine.com](http://www.legionmagazine.com).

Next month will feature Legion Week with our annual Decoration Day service. We will have more information in future columns.

Please remember everyone is welcome at our branch. Call us at 705-286-4541. Follow us on Facebook.



#### Take me out to the ball game

Congratulations to Dale Toye, who won a pair of Blue Jays tickets during the Minden Times' subscription sale last week. Toye came into the office with her grandson Jamie Crowe to pick up her prize. /DEBBIE COMER Staff

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## UPCOMING Community Events

### Land Trust Discovery Days Teddy Bear Picnic

When: Thursday August 24, 10:00am to 12:00 noon  
Where: Dahl Forest  
Ramble and sing your way through the lovely Dahl Forest with singer/songwriter David Archibald! David regularly performs with Ontario Parks and has a wonderful way of teaching through music. Learn some fun facts about bears and enjoy the trails and music! Pack a picnic lunch and we will all gather for a Teddy Bear picnic after our ramble. You are welcome to bring along your favourite Teddy Bear to picnic with the group! Admission by donation. Please register online at [www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca)

### Haliburton Legion presents Harold MacIntyre in the Clubroom

Date: Saturday, August 26, 2017, 4:00 to 7:00 pm  
Place: Haliburton Legion, Clubroom  
Cost: \$5.00 cover charge for non-members  
50/50 draw at 6:00 pm  
Enjoy delicious meal for \$6.00 by the ladies Auxiliary  
For Information contact: Linda at 75-457-2064

### Haliburton County Historical Society, History of Canning Lake

When: August 29th, 1:30 pm  
Where: Haliburton Museum  
Guest Speaker: Jim Mitchell

### Gooderham Yard and Bake Sale

When: Saturday Sept. 2, 2017, 8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Where: Gooderham United Church  
Light refreshments and baked goods

### Learn to Line Dance, Free Demo & Lesson

When: Monday, Sept 4 at 12:15  
Where: Cardiff Community Centre, 2747 Monck Road  
Call to Register: Elaine 613-334-2472 or Judy 705-656-3768

### Haliburton Concert Series presents Mauro Bertoli, virtuoso pianist

When: Saturday, September 9  
Where: Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion  
Join us for an evening of fabulous piano music. Mr. Bertoli will perform works by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin, Grieg, Handel, and Mendelssohn. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. and there will be refreshments and a chance to meet Mr. Bertoli afterwards. Tickets are \$30 adults, \$10 students and are available from Elaine Bell (705-457-9422, [bushandbell@gmail.com](mailto:bushandbell@gmail.com)) [www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.ca](http://www.haliburtoncs.blogspot.ca)

### Haliburton: Sexual Health Clinic

When: Wednesday, September 13, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm.  
The clinic provides clients with confidential access to cervical screening, low-cost birth control, pregnancy testing and sexual health teaching. Testing and treatment of sexually transmitted infections are also provided. For more information, locations or to make an appointment, call the Health Unit at 1-866-888-4577, ext. 2205.

### Land Trust Discovery Days Tree Identification

When: Saturday September 16, 10:00 am to noon  
Where: Haliburton Museum  
Have you ever wondered how to tell a balsam from a spruce? You can learn to identify the trees of Haliburton County from expert Peter McElwain. Spend some time on the trails at the Haliburton Museum and hone your tree ID skills. Admission by donation. Please register in advance at [www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca](http://www.haliburtonlandtrust.ca)

### The Knowledge Circles Project invites citizens in The Land Between region to share their observations/knowledge of the land and build community relationships.

Saturday Events, from 10 am – 4 pm:  
September 16 in Gravenhurst, Gravenhurst Centennial Centre, 101 Centennial Drive  
October 14 in Buckhorn, Buckhorn Community Centre, 1801 Lakehurst Rd.  
Registration is required (the event is free, including lunch): Contact Leora Berman at 705-457-4838 or [info@thelandbetween.ca](mailto:info@thelandbetween.ca) or register online at [knowledgecircles.ca](http://knowledgecircles.ca)

### Haliburton County Historical Society- Harvest Pork Roast Dinner

When: Saturday, Sept. 23rd, 2017, 5:30 pm  
Where: Stanhope Firefighters Community Hall, 1095 North Shore Rd.  
\$25.00 (fundraiser)  
Music by Beth Johns/Norris Turner and Company  
Phone: 705-754-0427

# Family fishing derby Sept. 2

## DORSET NEWS

Lee Ross  
[burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com)

Come out to the Dorset Lions Family Fishing Derby on Saturday Sept. 2. Any fish caught that day on any public waterway counts. Weigh-in is 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., followed by a roast beef dinner at the Dorset Rec Centre at 5:30 p.m.. Adults are \$15, kids seven to 12 are \$8 and kids under six are free. You can buy tickets at the Lions table Friday afternoons from 3 to 5:30 and Saturday mornings from 10 to 12:30 in front of Robinsons General Store or at the door. There will be prizes, trophies and a silent auction.

Looking to get in one last yard sale of the summer season? Come to the Dorset Rec Centre on Saturday, Sept. 2 for the community garage sale from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Thank you to everyone who came out to Dorset family soccer night! There were families from right here in Dorset and as far away as Detroit and even Turkey! A good time was had by all and on the hotter nights we even enjoyed some yummy popsicles thanks to some of the wonderful parents. We look

forward to seeing everyone next summer.

Work on the Dorset Lions Centennial Park project walkway and wilderness trail has begun. Expected completion is October 2017. Visit 'Dorset Lions Club' on Facebook for more information on this incredible project.

Also happening Sept. 2 is Hazardous Waste Day at the Dorset transfer station. As many of you prepare to close up your cottages for the season, this can be really handy. Help keep hazardous stuff out of the landfill – the lakes will thank you! Every year Canadian families buy 40 to 50 different kinds of flammable, corrosive, and toxic cleaners, pesticides, paints and other products. Throw in the garbage or dumped down the drain, these materials can poison our lakes, rivers and groundwater supplies. Bring it in for safe disposal. Every drop counts. Algonquin Highlands hosts five Household Hazardous Waste events each year, between the May long weekend and Thanksgiving. With the exception of the Big Red items listed below, household hazardous waste materials can only be disposed of at HHW events. There is no charge for household hazardous waste brought to an HHW event.

Happy birthday to Jessica Pulfrey, Earle Northover, Joe Alfano, Amy Aubin and Murray Ross. For birthdays and submissions, contact [burgesslt@me.com](mailto:burgesslt@me.com).

### Working at Heights Training Deadline is Coming – Are You Ready?



To assist employers to train their employees locally, The Haliburton County Home Builders Association has scheduled a number of training dates. September 12, 13 & 28, 2017.

Registration can be made by email to: [info@hchba.ca](mailto:info@hchba.ca) or download a form from [www.hchba.ca](http://www.hchba.ca).

Limited space in each class!

### SEPTIC RE-INSPECTION PROGRAM INFORMATION SESSION

**DATE:** Saturday August 26th, 2017

**TIME:** 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Dorset Recreation Centre  
1051 Main Street, Dorset, ON

The Township of Algonquin Highlands and WSP invite you to attend an information session regarding the upcoming Septic Re-Inspection Program.

The "Septic Social" is an information session that will allow residents to meet directly with the WSP Project Team to familiarize themselves with the inspection process. The information session will also allow WSP to address questions related to the Septic Re-Inspection Program.

To contact WSP directly, please email the Project Team at [AlgonquinHighlands.Info@wsp.com](mailto:AlgonquinHighlands.Info@wsp.com) or by calling us at 905-750-3080, or toll-free at 1-800-263-7419 (in Canada only).



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**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Minden Hills proposes to consider by-laws to stop up, close, and convey those parcels of land more particularly described as follows:

- File No. PLSRA2016052:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Twelve Mile Lake, lying in front of Lot 13, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Minden, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-9998, registered July 4, 2017.
- File No. PLSRA2017006:** Part of the original shore road allowance along the shore of Bow Lake, lying in front of Lots 19 & 20, Concession 3; and Lot 19, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Snowdon, designated as Part 1, on a Plan of Survey 19R-10000, registered July 10, 2017.

The above noted plans of surveys are available for inspection in the Building and Planning Department located at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario during regular office hours.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE** that the proposed By-Laws will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting to be held in the Municipal Council Chambers at 7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario, on **Thursday, August 31, 2017** at the hour of 9:00 a.m. At that time, Council will hear in person or by their counsel, solicitor, or agent, any person who claims that their land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard and, if deemed advisable, the proposed By-laws will be passed.

**ANY PERSON** wishing to comment on the proposed closing and sale is requested to submit comments to the undersigned or e-mail [iclendening@mindenhillsc.ca](mailto:iclendening@mindenhillsc.ca).

**DATED AT THE** Township of Minden Hills, this August 17, 2017  
Ian Clendening, MPI.  
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment  
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## Minden Rotary Carnival 2000

The carnival came to Minden last Wednesday and Thursday, with games and rides for the young and young at heart. The colourful sights of the rides and food booths, sounds of the music blaring and smells of cooking onions and French fries from the Minden Rotary Carnival brought the Minden Community Centre to life for a couple of days. For more photos, see page 19.

## AH&M should not have been on that list MOE District Manager says

by Matthew Sider

The municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden was listed among those whose water supply is not being adequately tested for bacteriological and chemical content. The list, published in the Toronto Star, was compiled by the Ontario Ministry of the Environment.

Public concern about the state of the water resulted in a statement Monday, July 31, from the District Manager of the Peterborough District Ministry of the Environment announcing Anson, Hindon and Minden should not have been on that list.

Time hung heavy in the air all day Monday as Haliburton County Warden/Anson, Hindon and Minden Reeve Jeanne Anthon and Deputy- Reeve Jerry Rome waited to hear the specific reason for the listing. "We are still trying to find out where the report comes from and what it's trying to imply," said Anthon Monday afternoon. "We're certainly very comfortable that we hired OCWA (Ontario Clean Water Agency, pronounced AQUA), the Min-

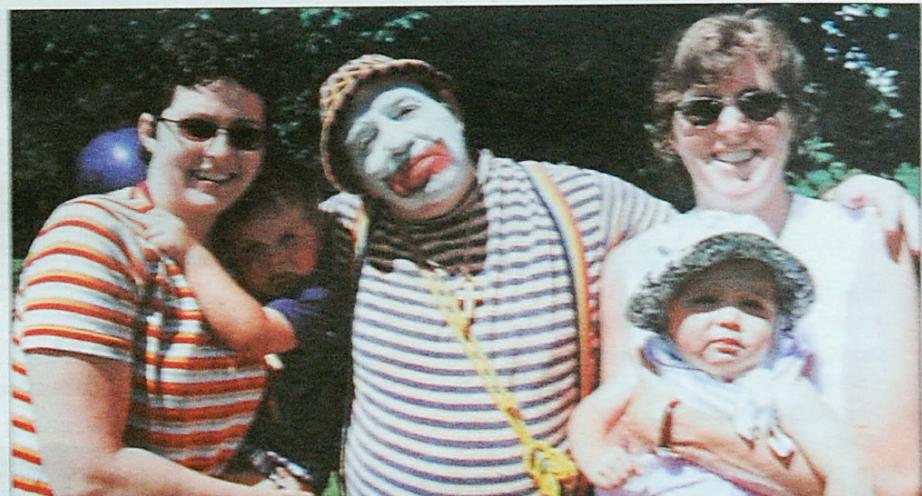
istry of the Environment's Agency to manage the water plant and we have had no bad reports from them."

"We did get a work order back in June," said Deputy- Reeve Jerry Rome. "But it had nothing to do with testing the water. It just said we needed to replace one of our pieces of equipment, which we've done."

These days, reports of potential water problems, whether real or perceived, can, understandably, worry a municipality's politicians. As it turned out, Rome and Anthon didn't have to wait long to hear some positive news.

"It was yesterday morning (Monday, July 31) when Clayton Cameron called me and said people were wondering why Minden was on the list under this category," explained Bruce Hancock, District Manager of the Peterborough District Ministry of the Environment. "I went back and looked at the list, then I looked at the compliance-inspection report. I then called Clayton back and said, 'You're absolutely right, you shouldn't be on

(more on page 5)



**JUST CLOWNIN' AROUND:** (from left) Michelle Stinson and Bradley Whitlock, Chester the Christian Clown, Dianne Whitlock and daughter Sara enjoyed the Kinmount Millennium festivities this past Saturday held at Heritage Park in Kinmount. For more photos, see page 18.

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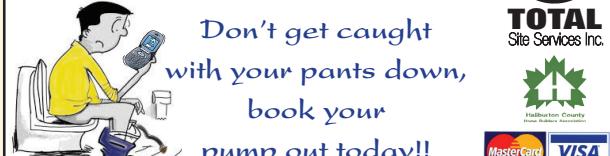
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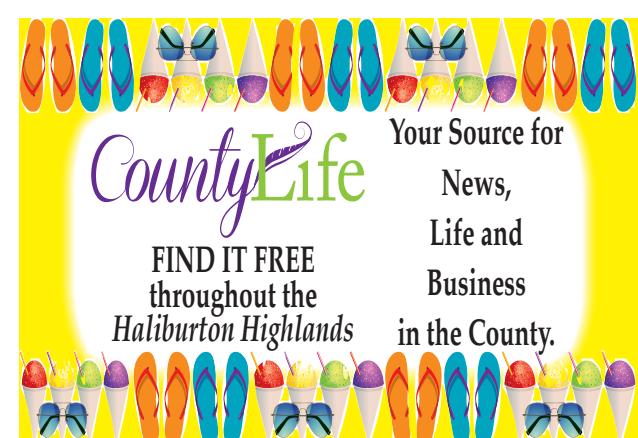
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Passed away peacefully at home  
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Beloved wife of Mac. Dear mother of Russell Gardner (predeceased), Tom Gardiner, Nancy and her husband Rick Lowes. Loving grandma of Taylor, Jory, Jared, Candace (Matt), Robert and great grandma to Mason. Fondly remembered by Don and Doris McGuire and by her family and friends.

It was Dolores' wish for cremation and a Private Family Graveside Service at St. Stephen's Cemetery, Boshkung.

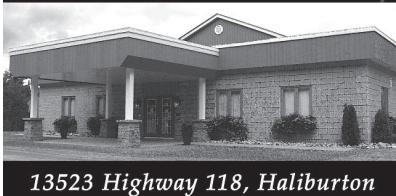
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May 10, 1939 – August 18, 2017

Ted is survived by his wife Glena Koehler, son Kevin Koehler, daughter-in-law Susan-Blanche Chato, daughter Karen Koehler, and son-in-law Rob Sargent. Also survived by his siblings Ken and Barb Koehler, Tim and Lynn Koehler, Kit and Len Pizsey, Ray Koehler and Manuel Said. Fondly remembered by his family and friends.

Ted developed an interest in music early in life through exposure to school band music and piano lessons. From the young age he participated in family camping, often at rental cottages in the lake-country north of Toronto. He later found himself assisting the family in building their own cottage. The family had also done numerous long-distance trips by car, a pattern which persisted throughout his later life. Ted had a fascination with all things mechanical including musical instruments, trucks, trains, farm machinery, boats, cars and airplanes. Over the years he had activities that tied into many of these interests.

He pursued a coop Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering degree at GMI in Flint, Michigan, and MBA from University of Western Ontario. He and Glena married in 1966, and settled in Montreal to raise their family. From that time they did most activities together (especially travel and choral singing). He and Glena were active members of churches near where they lived through the years including St. Laurent Presbyterian, Roxboro United, Beaconsfield United (all of Montreal), Simcoe St., United (Oshawa) and Zion United (Carnarvon).

In his later working years he renovated the family's cottage to be a four season home. After retirement Glena and himself moved into the renovated cottage and enjoyed fairly extensive travel with a truck and trailer. These travels took them as far south as Colorado and New Mexico, as far north as Alaska, the North West Territories, west to Vancouver Island (again - done earlier with the entire family) and east to PEI and Newfoundland.

Ted got along well with his neighbours and would easily strike up conversations with people in his travels. He was a guy who would make a friend and keep in touch with them for years. He had great sense of humour and loved to make his children, family and friends laugh.

A Memorial Service to celebrate Ted's Life will be held at the Zion United Church, East Road, Carnarvon on Saturday, August 26, 2017 at 1:00 pm. Reception to follow in the Education Centre at the church. Cremation has taken place.

Memorial Donations to the Zion United Church or to the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427, Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.



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## Virtuoso to play in place of The Poet and the Singer

by SUE TIFFIN  
*Times Staff*

Plans have changed, but music lovers and concertgoers looking to take in a performance described as being different and exceptional will not be disappointed.

Organizers of the Haliburton Concert Series, an annual presentation of three concerts featuring international performers, have worked quickly to reorganize after an unexpected illness caused the necessary postponement of the anticipated The Poet and the Singer.

"The Singer (Leslie Fagan), the Poet (Jeff Pinkney) and the Piano Man (Lorin Shalenko) are sad to have to postpone their concert," read the note released to concert series ticket holders. "Jeff has recently discovered a health problem requiring heart surgery, so he will be out of action for awhile. Leslie, Jeff and Lorin look forward to performing again in Haliburton (once the Poet has fixed his broken heart)."

Thankfully, pianist Mauro Bertoli was available for the Sept. 9 date and will return to the stage at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

Bertoli visited Haliburton for the Haliburton Concert Series in 2014 with what series president Lorraine Semple described as an "exciting and virtuoso recital."

Organizers were excited that Bertoli would return, with a program that will include works by Grieg, Mendelssohn, Bach and Chopin.

"He's a fabulous wonderful, wonderful performer and a

really lovely person as well," said Elaine Bell of the HCS. "He was quite taken by the people and the scenery and everything that people get taken with in Haliburton, and he agreed in a heartbeat to come back."

Born in Italy, Bertoli now resides in Ottawa, where he is piano accompanist at the Conservatoire de Musique de Gatineau and part-time professor at Ottawa University. The internationally-established pianist has won 24 piano competitions, and was also the recipient of the prestigious Giuseppe Sinopoli Award and Arturo Benedetti Michelangeli Prize for the youth. *Ottawa Life Magazine* named him one of the "Top 25 People in the Capital" last year, acknowledging his artistic contribution to the community and country.

When he last visited the area, he made as much of an impression on guests at his concert.

"For his encore, he cast a whole new light on what *Fur Elise* should sound like," said Bell. "Lots of people play it really quickly and he didn't. It was amazing."

Tickets for the Mauro Bertoli performance on Sept. 9 at 7:30 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton cost \$30 for adults and \$10 for students. For tickets or further information contact Elaine Bell at 705-457-9422 or bushandbell@gmail.com, or visit haliburtoncs.blogspot.ca.

Pinkney's heart surgery took place last week, and he is recovering well. The Poet and the Singer will be rescheduled for 2018 or 2019. The final concert in this year's Haliburton Concert Series will be Ensemble Vivant, taking place on Oct. 28.



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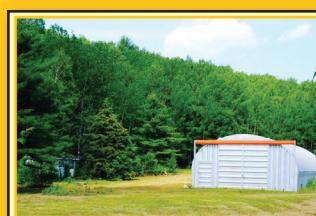
Executive Home \$639,000

- Private 2288 s.f. home on 5 landscaped acres
- 3 bdrms, 2 baths, granite, oak, maple, slate
- In-ground pool and 2 garages

Janice Brookes\*  
457-2128 x 22

105 Acres/Viceroy \$524,900

- Full-Walkout Basement with amazing views!
- Man's dream 30x40 Workshop, oversized garage!
- Quality construction with SW exposure! Must see!

**NEW LISTING**Kim Butt\*  
286-2138 x31

Mindens Acreage \$299,000

- 117 unspoiled acre on Bobcaygeon Rd
- 1,800 sq ft Quonset hut on solid cement pad
- Very private property, cleared for a new home

**EASY ACCESS**Gloria Carnahan\*  
754-1932

HWY Commercial Lot \$139,900

- On Busy Kennisis Lk Rd, Commercial
- Well and Hydro, Level, 244 Ft Frontage, 1.8 Acres
- Great Spot for Your New or Relocated Business

**SOLD**Mark Donnelly\*  
457-0473

Home &amp; Acreage \$594,900

- Apx 2942 Ft Ftg on Irondale River, Apx 27 Ac
- Apx. 2064 Sq Ft, 3 Bdm, 4 & 3 pc Bath
- Canoe/Kayak/Hike/Quad/Hunt, Private

Tom Ecclastone\*  
286-2138 x 26

Gull Lake \$1,100,000

- Solid 2 storey stone farm house circa 1900
- Over 300 feet of sand shoreline, 2.3 acres!
- Home or Cottage, you won't want to leave!

**NEW LISTING**Lindsey Elder\*\*  
457-5878

Brady Lake Lot \$159,000

- Direct Waterfront, driveway in, trailer on site
- Waterfront cleared with dock and swing rope
- Newer trailer with large deck on property



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